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Subject:— Complaints against Government Officers.

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File No. S-40-E (I)

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G R., G D., No 2408, dated 22-5-22.]

Correspondence

DOCKET SHEET (B)

Subject :—

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References :—

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Date.	To whom sent.	Notes and instructions.

Petitioner

L.R. Shanbhag. of

Honnavar

Complains about the Corrupt-
practices of Mr. Deshpande
Executive Engineer.

C/L.C.
17/1/46

Secy (P.W.D.)

EB (1) 17/12

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P. W. D.
File 5-40
Section 51524

Mr. [illegible]
Mrs. [illegible]
17/12/46

10/12

मान्य: मुरारजी ओरेदसाई होम डिपार्टमेंट
मिनिस्टर मुंबै याच्या चरणसन्निधी

O.T. 15/47

हॉनावर तालुका याखालील सहिदारानीं लिहून घ्याव्यचीअ
र्जी. तारीक १- १२- १९४६

यापूर्वी आम्ही कानडा जिल्हा पि. डब्ल्यू डिपार्टमेंट च्या
अधिकारीलोकांकरितां पि.डब्ल्यू. डि. मिनिस्टर मान्य
डि. डि. गिल्डर यांच्यासन्निधीयेथिलसर्व हकीकत लि
हूनघेतल्या असून आजपर्यंत त्याची काही इन्क्वायरी
झालीनाहीं आम्ही कर्नाटकानें लिहून घेतलेल्या अर्जी च
मजकूर बरोबर समजलानसेल किंवा अर्ज्यानपोहोंचता असती
H.m P.W.D. म्हणून ही अर्जी महाराष्ट्रानें लिहून खर्च झाला तरी हरकतना ही
म्हणून राजिष्टर करून पाठविली आहे. ही अर्जी बरोबर पोहों
न सर्व हकीकत यथोक्त इन्क्वायरी होयीलअसें समजून विनंती
करून घेतली आहे. ह्यापूर्वी चाअर्जी डिपार्टमेंट ची इन्क्वायरी
होतअसे ही वदंती समजली चपुना विनंती करून घ्यावील
गली. म्हणिएकडिपार्टमेंट च्या खालील अधिकारी आणखी
वरिष्ट अधिकारी एकत्र म्हणजे संघ अशा एकमतानें नो
करशायीलोक आपल्याखालील नौकरानीं कोणत्याही आ
क्षेपाही कृत्यें केलीं असून संदर्भानुसार वरिष्ट अमलदार
कडे खालील अमलदाराबद्दल आक्षेपाही अर्जी लिहून घे
लीतर इन्क्वायरी अर्जीदारानें लिहिलेला अर्जीम
जूरखोटा खालील अमलदार निर्दोषी होवून अर्जीदार आ
क्षेपाही होतो. रिटायर एग्झिक्यूटिव्ह इंजिनीयर रावसा
~~जदेसाहेब यांना पडलेल्या अगस्ट चा सहाव्या~~
हित्यांत पि.डब्ल्यू. डिपार्टमेंटची गुन्हेगारी

डरस्त्यावर सीट्रु गुंडीरानांत शिकारीकरिता स्वतः
पयोगकरून सदरलोरीचें लोगबुक खोटें लिहिलें आहें. ह्याचो
चौकशी सदरलोरीचा ड्राय्वर. क्लीनर. ब. पि. डब्ल्यू. डि. क्ला
कि हो नमट्टेकर यांच्याकडून खात्री होयील. त्यावेळीं सदर
लोरीस पेट्रोल ऑईल. ड्राय्वर क्लीनर पीमेंट वगैर सर्व खर्च पि.
डब्ल्यू. डिपार्टमेंट च्या खात्यास खर्च घातला आहे. ह्याशिवा
य. रा. देशपांडे ए. इं. यांचे स्वतःचें मोटरकार. चिंचापु
र एक्सप्रेस. कंपनी. कुमटा. यांच्या वर्कशापांत दुरुस्तीकर
वून. स्पेरपार्ट सांची रकम बहुतेक चार्जे. कुमटा सब्
डिव्हिजन ऑफीसरसाहेबांनीं सरकारीमस्तरांत खोटें कू
लिखर्च लिहून चिंचापुर कंपनीस पेमेंट केलें आहे.
माधनगेरी, कलाल, कुमठा, अंकोला. बीटांचें १९४६ इसवी
जनवरीपासून आजपर्यंतचें सरकारीमस्तर घेवून, एंटि,
करप्शन ब्रेंच ऑफीसर. ब. एम्. एल्. ए अधिकारी, ब.
डिस्ट्रिक्ट कोंग्रेस च्यालोकांनीं इन्क्वायरी कमिशन्क
रून सदर मस्तरबूकांत नमूद असलेल्या कूलीलोकांस
बोलावून आणून इन्क्वायरी होयीलतर यांचीवंचनाच्य
रूहोवून आपल्यामनांत सर्व खात्री होयील. आजपर्यंत,
रटायर ए. इ. रा. देशपांडे यानीं आणखी यांचेहे दुष्कृ
त्ये मुजले, आणखीकुमटा सब डिव्हिजन् ऑफीसरसा
हेब. ई. ह्यांनीं लोकएकत्रनिवडून कोण, कोणत्या तरेनें कि
ती रकम होणजे कनिष्ट १० ००० दहाहजारांपेक्षां अधिकर
कम गबनमेंटास वंचन केले तीगोष्ट पक्की खात्री दिसून येयी
ल. कुमटा सब् डि. आ. सोनें साहेबानीं पट्टेवालमें जनाथा
ला आपल्यामोटरकार चा ड्राय्वर बनून घेतला. आणी मा

कुमटा, होनावर, रस्त्यावर ४८ मैलांत ४ फलीगां

तपासून गेल्यानंतर आतापर्यंत लखडीपसावयाला साहनीस
इबानां अवकाश मिळाला पाणी चापूर्वी टानसून खडीपसली
तर ८.१५. दिवस लणजे तातपूर्ति करस्ता चांगला दिसेल.
नंतर खडी आपोआप उटून आजवाजूला जाऊन होती.
पाणी-चापूर्वी टानसून खडीपसली तर बिलेखूल खडी बसत
नाहीं ये त्यो वर्षात पुनः रस्त्या बद्दल सोहने साहेब गवर्नमें
टाकडून दहापंधरा हजार रुपया शंकशेन करून घेवून चारपां
चहजोर रुपया बेंक मध्यें शेविंग करतात. शिवायया च्या
कालकिर्दीतप्रतिएकवायीट हो याल चांगले एकसुधांहो
णार नाहीं गवर्नमेंटास खर्च जास्त उत्पन्नकमी होवून प्र
जाजनाकडून तरतरेची ड्युटी, कर, वगैरे गवर्नमेंटा
नें वसूलकरण्याचा उद्देश अशा देशांचे, साहेन, मजले
सारख्या लोकांचें बेकेसविंगसवृधी साठीं हणोयला काहीं
हरकतनाहीं आहीं कोंग्रेसविरुधी नव्हेत, कोंग्रेसचेंत
त्व आमचापावेत्र धर्मआहे. लग्न आजपर्यंत ह्यागोष्टी
आहीं वर्तमानपंत्रांत जाहीर केल्या नाहींत. यापूर्वी ह्याच्या

[illegible] आली आणी इतर लोकांनी अडथळा न घेता ते
त्या आहेत मान्य गिल्डर या सर्व सभासदांनी कोण
कोण त्या तरतुदीचे वचन केले आहे सर्व इकॉनॉमिक कार्य
कर्मा प्रमाणे आम्ही विनंती करून घेतली आहे आम
चे कर्तव्य कर्म संपले विनंती असावी.
येत्या १६, १७ तारीख [illegible] डब्ल्यू. डी. मान्चेस्टर यांच्या
स्वारी कुमटा, [illegible] नटकळे पर्यंत प्रयाण करि
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94/1 These are allegations of corruption against Rao Saheb Deshpande H.M. P.W.D of the P.W.D. at Kanara
MDR.

KCL
17/11/46

S.HQ/51525

E.B.(I). P.W.D.

Submitted together with serial no. 51524;

2. Acknowledged under G.L. No. S.HQ/51525-E(I), d. the 12-46, in the first instance.

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Rlcd 31/12/46.

O.T. 285
In. No.....
Date. 23.1.47

Issued 31/12.

EB(I) -

The papers may be rcpld. w.o. to the Oriental Translator to Govt with a request to furnish a literal English translation of the letter within.

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in ref to the O.T. & Govt of 2nd Jan 194

Below P.W.D. u.o.r. to O.T. dated 22-1-1947

O.T.'s Office.

Returned with compliments together with an English translation of the petition.

2. The accompaniment marked A at pages 1 and 2 is a Kannada petition dated 28-10-46 from the public of Honavar, district Kanara, but signed by Mr. L.R.Shanbhag and addressed to the Hon. Dr. D.D.Gilder, minister for Public Works, Bombay. The petitioners in the course of the petition state as under:- "A petition had already been submitted to you regarding the deceit practised by the authorities of the P.W.D. of the Kanara district. As we are given to understand that our previous petition has been sent for departmental inquiry and is likely to be hushed up, we have again submitted this petition. Rao Saheb Deshpande, the Executive Engineer of Kanara, had used, in the month of August or September 1946, the P.W.D. Goods lorry, the driver whereof was one Mr. Honnapp for his own private purpose of hunting wild animals at Siddagundi on the Yallapur-Mundgod road and had made false entries in the log book of the said goods lorry. The truth of this matter will come to light if the driver and the cleaner of the said vehicle and the P.W.D. clerk Mr. Honamattikar are examined. The pay of the driver and the cleaner and the price of the petrol and the oil required for the above purpose were debited to the account of the P.W.D. In addition to the above, the repairing charges and the price of the spare parts of Deshpande's car which was actually repaired in the workshop of the Kumta-Chitrapur Motor Company were paid off through the Kumta Sub-divisional office by asking Mr. Sohani, the Sub-divisional officer, to make false entries of payment to the workmen in the muster roll of that office. If an inquiry is made with the help of an Enquiry Commission consisting of the Anti-Corruption Branch, the M.L.A. and the District Congress Committee and if the workmen mentioned in the muster roll of the beats of Madangeri, Kadgal, Kumta and Ankola during the priod

January 1946 to this day are individually examined in this regard, you will be convinced that a misappropriation of Government money to the extent of Rs. 10,000/- or more has been made by the trio consisting of Rao Saheb Deshpande, his head clerk Mr. Bhujale and Mr. Sohani, the Sub-Divisional Officer, Kumta. There is close unity in the staff of every Government Department. It is on account of this unity that in not even a single case is justice meted out in any department. The high ideals of the Congress fade away before this united ministerial staff. We shall shortly publish the evil deeds of these people in newspapers. Ample evidence is available with regard to corruption practised by Mr. Sohani for a long time past. Corruption is the only ideal of his life. It is, therefore, requested that an inquiry as detailed above should be held immediately".

3. The accompaniment, (marked B, pp. 5-8) is a Marathi petition, dated 1-12-46, from Mr. L.R.Shanbhag and two others of Honavar, District Kanara, addressed to Mr. Morarji Desai, Minister, Bombay, which is almost similar to the accompaniment marked A.

U.O.R. to P.W.D., No. 522 dated 26-2-1947

ACP 25-2-

P. W. D.
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E.B.I

S.40/9067

P. & D.

Resubmitted with ref to p.10 n. dated the 17-1-47.

2 The O.T. to Govt. has forwarded a literal translation of the petition at pp 11-12 ante. pp 1-8 ante. The papers may, if approved be refd. u.o. to the S.E.S.C. for immediate remarks

Secy.
14/3/47.

Secy (R&B)

Yes.
15/3/47

Approved. for [illegible] 18/3/47

U.O.K. SE&C. dt 15th March 1947.

hrph
24/3

Below Government (P.W.D.) U.O. reference No.S.40-9067 dated 19th March 1947 forwarding applications containing allegations against certain P.W.D. Officers in the Kanara Division.

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No.G.14.

Public Works Department,
Belgaum, 20th May 1947.

Returned, with compliments, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Bombay.

2. With a view to institute enquiry into the allegations, Messrs. (i)L. R. Shanbhag (ii)U.S. Naik and (iii)S. K.Bhat who have signed the applications were requested by a registered letter dated 25th March 1947 to see the undersigned on any day convenient to them or 7th April 1947 if that suited them.

3. Letters addressed to (i) and (ii) have been received back undelivered and that addressed to (iii) was delivered over on 29th March 1947 under a clear receipt but he has neither acknowledged it nor seen the undersigned so far.

4. The applications are evidently made up ones and deserve no further action.

V.M.T.

Superintending Engineer,S.C.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
File No. S-40
Serial No. 22007

E.B.(I).

S.40/22007
P.W.D.

Submitted with ref to this Deptt. U.O.No. dated the 19-3-47.

2. Pl. see the English translation of the Kannada applications containing allegations of corruption against certain P.W.D. Officers in the Kanara Dn. The remarks of the S.E., S.C., were called for in the matter. For the reasons given in his report within, the S.E. states that the applications are made-up ones, and that they deserve no further action. It is for consideration what action, if any, may be taken in the matter.

26-5-47.

I do not understand the SE's Report at all. From the translation of the application certain definite statements are made - Has the SE made any attempt to verify them? It would not appear necessary to the issue of the notice of the application. Proper enquiries should be made and a full report submitted.

28/5/47

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Confdl.

U.O.R. to the S.E. S.E.

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Sir,

So far as I am concerned the following specific allegations are made. These allegations are mischievous if not malicious. This can be proved conclusively to be baseless by documentary evidences:-

Allegations	Replies
(1)Making use of the Government trucks for Shikar at Siddlegundi on the Yellapur Bankapur Road in the months of <u>August and September 1946</u>.	August and September are the months of very heavy rains near Siddlegundi and no Shikari will think of hunting wild animals in these months. As will be seen from the T.A.Journals in your office I was all the while at Karwar in August except on the 2nd when I went from Karwar to Yellapur where I stayed for two days on the 3rd and 4th before proceeding om casual leave and returned to Karwar via Yellapur. These were the days ~~after~~ heavy rains. During my stay at Yellapur I went upto mile 20 of Yellapur Sirsi Road only and on no other road. In September also I was at Karwar except on the 16th when I went from Karwar to Mundgod inspecting the Karwar Bhatkal Madras Frontier and Kumta Hubli Roads and returned to Karwar on the 17th* These journeys were made during heavy rains to see if the roads had efficient side gutters and side cuts which the outdoor staff neglected on these roads despite repeated warnings. I did not go to Siddlegundi which is on the Yellapur Bankapur Road during August and September 1946. Again on the 23rd September I travelled from Karwar to Hubli to go to Poona for the investiture ceremony and returned from Hubli to Karwar on the 27th. Siddlegundi is not on this route. These are the entries in my T.A.Journal submitted to Superintending Engineer's office long before this application is read by me.
(2)The name of the driver of the truck alleged to have been used by me for Shikar during August and September 1946 is Honappa.	There was no driver named Honappa on any of the four trucks during August and September. This can be verified from the record in Executive Engineer's office.
(3)Made false entries in the log book of the lorry.	This application makes clearly allegations against Mr.Sohani who is alleged to have helped me in committing the irregularities. So far as I remember there was no truck in Mr.Sohani's Sub-Division during August and September. Hence the question of his having made false entries in the log book should not arise as the log books are always kept with the trucks. Even supposing that other Sub-Divisional Officers might have helped me in this alleged irregularity, the record in Executive Engineer's office will show that no truck was on the Yellapur Bankapur as I remember two trucks

* by the same route

and one at Yellapur were out of order) and the remaining two were working either with the contractors or near Karwar or Haliyal. The details in the log books might show that the two trucks were working on the roads far away removed from the Yellapur Bankapur Road.

(4)The cost of the spare parts and the repair charges of my car were paid by Mr.Sohani through the muster rolls to the Chitrapur Motor Co.

This statement is absolutely malicious. The work of replacing the spare parts of my car was entrusted to the U.K.T. Co and not to the Chitrapur Co and the cost is remitted to the Manager Mr. Prabhu directly and not through Mr. Sohoni. Mr.Basrur the then camp clerk was given the amount which was directly paid to Mr.Prabhu. Enquiries are being made with Mr.Basrur if the amount was received by Mr.Prabhu by a demand draft. Mr.Basrur will throw sufficient light on this.

I suspect that the authors of this application are some disgruntled members of the staff who evidently want to take revenge on me for my having punished them for their negligence in their duties.

Yours Sincerely,
R L Deshpande
16/6/47.

Submitted personally to the Superintending Engineer Southern Circle.

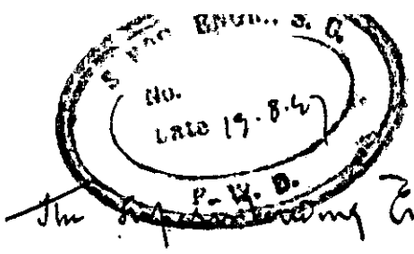
23 Belgaum 29/7/47.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of the explanation given by me in regard to the allegations made against me by some persons of Honavar, I have to state that the cost of the spare parts of replacing the old parts was remitted by me to the U.K.T. Co by Cheque No. 96197 of 10-8-46 from Karwar to Kumta. This documentary evidence gives a direct lie to the allegation that Mr Sohoni was asked to pay the cost by mischanging the amount in the muster Rolls.

Yours Sincerely
R L Deshpande
EE MID

To SESC Belgaum.



Sangli Dtd 30-VI-47.

The Superintending Engineer

Southern Circle, Belgaum.

Subject:- Allegations against Mr. L. G. Sohoni, Retd. - Dy. Engineer.

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement no. G-1411 - of the 17th June 1947 I have to explain as under:-

(1) Use of Govt. Truck for private purposes by R.S. Deshpande the then Ex. Engineer. There was no P.W.D. truck in the Kumtha Sub-div: from August to September 1946 & I have no knowledge of it being used by R.S. R.N. Deshpande to whom the matter may please be referred to.

(2) Spare parts & repair charges of R.S. Deshpande's Car. The allegation is entirely baseless & mischievous. This is a fact that the car was got repaired at the "Chitrapur Express Service" Kumtha by R.S. Deshpande who never asked me to defray the repairs charges, & so also the cost of the spare parts which I learn were obtained through the M.T.S. Motor Service of Kumtha & paid for by R.S. Deshpande directly.

(3) Misappropriation of Govt. money to the extent of Rs 10000/-. The allegations are entirely wicked & baseless & mischievous & have been concocted by some disgruntled member of the subordinate staff who may have in course of Govt. work snubbed by me for bad work insubordination & transfer from Sub-[illegible] for continued delinquency

2 The delay in disposal of this reference was due to many matters I is regretted.

Jam your Obedt. Servant
Lt. Schmi
30/6
Retd. Hdg. Dy. Engineer.

Submitted with respects Receipt for Executive Engineer Kanara Divn. Karwar No. G-14 dated 20th June 1944.

Certificate
No G. 14

Karwar
12th August 1944

Passed for payment.

P. W. D.

Mutla
29/8
1918

12/8/44
Executive Engineer
Kanara Division

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Below Government U/O reference No.S-40/32007, dated the 23th May 1947, regarding allegations against certain P.W.D. Officers in the Kanara Division.

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U/O R. No.G-14,
Public Works Department,
Belgaum, 27th AUGUST 1947.

Returned with compliments, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Bombay.

2. The allegations made in the application and the Undersigned's reply thereto after full enquiry into the matter, are as under.

Allegations.	Undersigned's replies.
Use of P.W.D. truck for private purposes by Rao Sahib R.L.Deshpande, during August and September 1946.	No Garage Driver was discharged from service since June 1946. From T.A.Journals of Rao Sahib R.L.Deshpande for August and September 1946 it is observed that he had not camped out of head quarters during August and September 1946 except for 2 or 3 days and he did not go to Siddlegurdi side. The allegation is, therefore, false.
(ii) Sub-Divisional Officer, Kumta paid the repair charges of the car of Rao Sahib R.L.Deshpande, by making false entries in the Muster Roll.	The car was repaired by the U.K.T.Co., and not by the Chitrapur Co., and the cost of repairs has been paid by Rao Sahib R.L.Deshpande directly by cheque on 10th August 1946. The allegation does not, therefore stand.
(iii) Making false entries in the log book of the trucks	There is no truth in this as revealed by enquiries made independently. There were not trucks in the Kumta Sub-Division during August and September 1946.
(iv) Misappropriation of Government money to the extent of Rs. 10,000/-	Enquiries were made with the road establishment concerned. All of them say that they did not make any false entries and the payments were made in their presence to the coolies by the Sub-Divisional Officer. The allegations are, therefore, baseless.

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3. Statements dated the 16th June 1947 and 29th July 19[illegible] Rao Sahib R.L.Deshpande, retired Executive [illegible] the 20th June 1947 from Mr. [illegible]

retired Officiating Deputy Engineer, are enclosed herewith.

VDK.

Superintending Engineer, S.C.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
File No. S.40
Serial No. 31157

S. 40 / 37157

P. W. D.

Resubmitted with ref. to this Deptl. u.o.no. P.17 dated the 29-5-47.

2. The S.E.S.C. has now submitted a clear and full report P.27 on the various allegations & malpractices, misappropriation of Govt. money, false entries of payment in the muster roll, etc., made against certain P. W. D. Officers in Hasaru Dn., Pl. see the allegations and the explanations thereto given by R/S R. L. Deshpande, retd. Exe Engr. and Mr. L. G. Sohoni, retd. Offg. Dy. Engr. at pages 19-26 ante. The S.E. after the full inquiry, has proved that the allegations levelled against these officers are false and baseless.

3. It is accordingly for orders what action, if any, can be taken in the matter.

6-9-47.

The S.E.'s findings may be accepted.

D.S. Mr. Shanbag may be informed that, after enquiry, Govt. has concluded that there is no truth in the allegations & hence it is not proposed to take any further action.

See (9)

6/9/47.

I agree. Mr. Shanbag may be informed as proposed.

P.S. PKS 16/9 8/9/47 Accdly 10/9/47

HM. PWD. MDB 8/9/47

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E. B(I).

P.M.D

Resubmitted with the necy. draft for approval.

22-9-47.

S. A. S.

P. W. D

No. ~~C. 8~~ S. 40/37157-E(I). B. C., 23 Sept. 19

To.

R. L. Shanbhag., Esqr.,

~~Honavar~~

Dist. Kanara

Subject. Complaint against P. W. D. Officers in the Kanara Dn..

Dear Sir,

With ref. to your petition dated the 28-10-46, addressed to the H. M., P. W. D., ~~Bombay~~ on the subject mentioned above, I am directed to state that, after full enquiry, Govt. has come to the conclusion that there is no truth in the allegations, and hence, it is not proposed to take any further action in the matter.

D.A. Nil.

Yours faithfully,

~~Govt~~

22-9-47.

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ISSUED on 23/9/47

To,

The prime Minister to the Government of Bombay. Bombay.

Respected Sir,

I the under signed congress man of the Hubli Taluka beg to bring to kind notice the following few points and i also hope you will take action against the person concerned.

One Sub-Divisional officer B.Krishnaayangar from mysore side has been posted here to Hubli subdivision, in place of mr deshpande transferred to Bagalkoti Taluka. When Mr.Deshpande was here he was moving smoothly with all the contractors of this subdivision and public as well. On arrival of B. Krishnaaynagar he is only in favour of mr.Harlihalli and Parappa Doddamani etc. There is one head maistry at Hubli mr.Hejib who is the chief whip to hi mr. Hejib guides him as he likes. Mr.Hejib will maintain his house wiht all the things that he needs. He puts extra muster coolies in the Hajari of abou costing rs.250/- per month and maintains his house mr.krishnaayangar is spending nothing for his house and simply spends his amount to the Bank thi can be verified from his account in the Mysore Bank or Hubli Bank.Mr.B.Krishn ayangar takes money from coolies at Rs.2/- per head. I have personallly enqui the Coolies at Hubli and round about. Recently one Mr.joglekar is working at Khalghatgi with whom the Sub-divisional officer b.krishnaaynagar quarrled as joglekar refused to put more present marks in the Hajari.this can be verifie by mr.joglekar.

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To,

1) M.D.D.Gilder Esqr,
Public works Department Minister to
the Government of Bombay.

2). The Secretary Public works Department
to the Government of Bombay

P. W. D.
File No. S-40
Serial No. 33810

Submitted.

2. This is a copy of an anonymous petition addressed to the H.P.M., containing various allegations reg. misappropriation of Govt. money, engaging coolies for domestic work, corruption, etc., against Sh. B. Krishnaiengar Dy. Engrs., Hubli (C.B. & R.) Sub-Dn.

It is for consideration whether :—

(1) the petition may be forwarded to the S.E., S.C. for full inquiry and report, or

(2) whether, as the petition is anonymous these papers may be filed.

13-8-47.

I think we may await the copy from H.B.M. of H.P.M. P.W.D.

D.S.

2. Tho' the letter seems to be anonymous the applicant desires to be communicated with — 'A' at P.1. I wonder if he has signed his name on the application sent to the H.P.M. We may wait & see before deciding on what steps to take.

Secy(I).

13/8/47

Paper appears to be
Despatched Contractn.
MM.
14/8/47

Anonymous

A complain

Allegations against the sub-

Divisional Officer (PWD) Hubli.

HMPW.

19 AUG 1947

OFFICE
HON'BLE THE MINISTER
Recd. 5 AUG
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x.y.z.(Congress man)

P.T.O.

(EBC) 2518

P. W. D.
File No. S-40
Serial No. 36318

E.B.(I).

S.40/36318

P.W.D.

Resubmitted with ref. to the D.S.'s note P.3 dated the 13-8-47, agreed to by the Secy. (P).

2. The original petition P.7 addressed to the H.P.M. has now been received. It is accordingly for orders whether the petition may be forwarded to the S.E., S.C. for full inquiry and report, or otherwise. P.3

5-9-47.

No orders for anonymous applns.

D.S.

is destruction.

It is for consdn. whether we shd. ask for a rpt. from the SE.

5/9(4)

Secy(I) I consider the SE should be informed confidentially the main points raised in the application & he should be asked to make confidential enquiries and satisfy himself whether there is any truth in the statements

5/9(4)

S. No / 36318

P. W. D.

E. B. (I).

Resubmitted with the necy. draft for approval.

15-9-49.

P. W. D.

Confl. Letter . . B.C., 6th Sept. 1947.

No. S-4-/36318-E(I). 16

To

The S.E., S.C.

Subject:-Complaint against Mr. B. Krishnaiengar, Dy. Engs.

Govt. has received an anonymous petition ₱-7 containing mainly the following allegations against Mr. B. Krishnaiengar, Dy. Engr. Hubli (B & R) Sub-Dn..

(i) (a) False entries of coolies in the Muster Roll.

(b) Engaging coolies for domestic work

(c) Employing office peon Bhimappa as a motor-driver.

(ii) Wrong measurement of material, supplied by Mr. Mundargi, a Contractor, for Hubli-Gadag Road near Annigeri.

(iii) General charge of corruption.

2. You are therefore requested to make a casual and confidential inquiry into the matter, and to satisfy yourself whether there is any truth in the allegations or not. In the former case a rept: shd. be submitted to Govt.

D.A. Nil

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15-9-47.

By order etc

Issued
16-9-47

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D. S.

CONFIDENTIAL

LETTER

From

E.P.Little,I.S.E.,
Superintending Engineer,S.C.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,B O M B A Y .

No.G-38.

Public Works Department,
Belgaum, 5th October 1947.

Subject:-Complaint against Mr.B.Krishnaingar,
Deputy Engineer,

Reference:-G.L.No.S-40/36318-E(I)(Confidential),
dated the 16th September 1947.

Allegations (i)(a) and (b) , (ii) and (iii) pointed out in the above G.L . have been thoroughly investigated and found to be baseless.They appear to be a method of retaliation for receiving censure from a Superior Officer for some dereliction of duty.

2. As regards allegation (i)(c), it is true that the peon Bhimappa drives Mr.Krishnaiangar's Car but Mr.Krishnaiangar pays the peon Rs.10/-P.M. and gives him food in addition when he accompanies him on tour.

7/10/47

Jag.5.10.

Superintending Engineer,S.C.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
File No. S-40
Serial No. 42523

E.B.(I).

S.40/42523

P.W.D.

Submitted with ref. to G.L. No. ₱ 11 S.40/36318-"E(I)", dated the 16-9-47, and the late Secy.(P)'s ₱ 9 note underlying it

2. The S.E., S.C., has thoroughly investigated into the allegations levelled against Mr. B. Krishnaiengar, Dy. Engr. Hubli (R&B) Sub-Dn., and satisfied himself that they are baseless. In view of this, no further action seems necessary on these papers which may be filed after submission to the H.M. P.W.D.

13-10-47.

D.S.

14/X/47

Secy (R&B)

14/X

H.M. P.W.D. 20/10/47

14/X

File 22/10/47